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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary of the Commission
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

RE: *Hearing Aid-Compatibility Report (WT Docket No. 01-309)*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

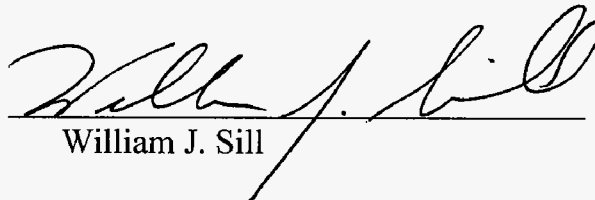
Pursuant to the Commission's *Hearing Aid-Compatibility Report and Order*,¹ attached please find a Hearing Aid-Compatibility Report submitted on behalf of Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. d/b/a Ramcell of Oregon.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions that you may have at (202) 783-4141.

Sincerely,

WILKINSON BARKER KNAUER, LLP

By:


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Attachment

¹ Section 68.4(a) of the Commission's *Rules Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Telephones*, WT Docket No. 01-309, *Report and Order*, 18 FCC Rcd 16753 (2003).

HEARING AID-COMPATIBILITY STATUS REPORT

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**Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. d/b/a Ramcell of Oregon
Licensee of:**

**(OR5) Oregon 5 (B1) - Coos RSA
Call Sign: KNKN393**

Litchfield County Cellular, Inc. d/b/a Ramcell of Oregon ("Ramcell of Oregon") hereby provides the Commission with the Hearing Aid-Compatibility Status Report ("Report"), as required by the Commission's *Hearing Aid-Compatibility Report and Order*.¹ Ramcell of Oregon is submitting this Report in order to provide the Commission with the current status of Ramcell of Oregon's efforts and progress toward compliance with the Commission's hearing aid-compatibility requirements.

Ramcell of Oregon is the licensee of the B1 portion of the Oregon 5 – Coos RSA. Ramcell of Oregon is a very small cellular carrier operating a cellular system covering eight sparsely populated counties in the state of North Carolina. As such it is dependent on third party vendors, rather than handset manufacturers, for its supply of handsets. Because Ramcell of Oregon cannot deal directly with handset manufacturers, Ramcell of Oregon must rely on third parties for handset information and it experiences significant delays in obtaining the latest handsets.

Ramcell of Oregon currently stocks two HAC-compliant handsets: the Motorola V265 and the LG LX5550. The three non-HAC-compliant handsets that Ramcell of Oregon offers are the Motorola V626, LG VX6100 and Kyocera 5135.

Further, Ramcell of Oregon ensures that it complies with the Commission's requirement that service providers ensure that information concerning hearing aid-compatible handsets, including the handset's U-rating, is visible to a potential subscriber.

In terms of Ramcell of Oregon's outreach efforts, it has done the following:

- Made available to Ramcell of Oregon's potential subscribers and current subscribers fact sheets or brochures at its retail store(s) that highlights which handsets are HAC-compliant, and directs interested individuals to ask retail store personnel for more information; and

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- Conducted training sessions for retail employees to make them familiar with hearing aid-compatibility compliant handsets.